List of Claims:

1.   (currently amended) A method for providing content-on-demand, comprising:

dividing a content stream in to a plurality of extents ~~that represent a fixed length of time,~~ ~~each extent including a plurality of packets that contain~~containing~~ packetized~~ information ~~for~~ ~~presentation within the fixed length of time~~appropriate to a temporal period represented by each extent; and

associating with each extent a ~~, extent data comprising a plurality of content data packets, and an extent~~ trailer ~~that comprises~~ comprising a unique content identifier, a logical extent number, a track-type identifier, and a circular redundancy check.

2.   (original) The method of claim 1, further comprising:

striping said plurality of extents of said content stream across a plurality of disk drives.

3.   (original) The method of claim 1, further comprising:

transmitting said plurality of extents of said content stream to at least one subscriber terminal in response to a request for content.

4.   (cancelled)

5.   (currently amended) The method of claim 1, wherein ~~said~~ the logical extent number provides a number indicative of a relative position of ~~said~~ the extent ~~data~~ with respect to other ~~data~~ extents ~~within~~ of said content stream.

6.   (original) The method of claim 5, wherein each said logical extent number is sequentially numbered within said content stream.

7.   (original) The method of claim 1, wherein said track-type identifier comprises indicia of a type of track selected from the group consisting of a play track, a fast-forward track, and a reverse-play track.

8.   (currently amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising:

performing a circular redundancy check (CRC) operation on said plurality of ~~content data~~ packets ~~of extent data~~ during initial formation of said extent~~s~~ ~~data~~.

9.   (currently amended) The method of claim 8, further comprising:

replacing corrupted ~~extent data~~packets with ~~a~~ replacement ~~extent data~~packets ~~in an instance~~ where said CRC operation identifies said corrupted ~~extent data~~packets.

10.   (currently amended) The method of claim 8, further comprising:

masking corrupted ~~extent data~~packets in an instance where said CRC operation identifies corrupted ~~extent data~~packets.

11.   (currently amended) <u>An</u> ~~A~~apparatus for providing content-on-demand, comprising:

means for dividing a content stream in to a plurality of extents <u>that represent a fixed length of time, wherein each extent includes a plurality of packets that comprise</u> ~~containing packetized~~ information <u>for presentation within the fixed length of time</u>~~appropriate to a temporal period represented by each extent~~; and

means for associating <u>a trailer</u> with each extent, <u>the trailer including</u> ~~extent data comprising a plurality of content data packets, and an extent trailer comprising~~ a unique content identifier, a logical extent number, a track-type identifier, and a circular redundancy check.

12.   (original) The apparatus of claim 11, further comprising:

means for striping said plurality of extents of said content stream across a plurality of disk drives.

13.   (original) The apparatus of claim 11, further comprising:

means for transmitting said plurality of extents of said content stream to at least one subscriber terminal in response to a request for content.

14.   (cancelled)

15.   (currently amended) The apparatus of claim 11, wherein said logical extent number provides a number indicative of a relative position of ~~said~~ the extent ~~data~~ with respect to other extent~~s~~ ~~of data~~ ~~within~~ said content stream.

16.   (original) The apparatus of claim 15, wherein each said logical extent number is sequentially numbered within said content stream.

17.   (original) The apparatus of claim 11, wherein said track-type identifier comprises indicia of a type of track selected from the group consisting of a play track, a fast-forward track, and a reverse-play track.

18.   (currently amended) The apparatus of claim 11, further comprising:

means for performing a circular redundancy check (CRC) operation on said plurality of ~~content data~~ packets ~~of extent data~~ during initial formation of said extent~~s~~ ~~data~~.

19.   (currently amended) The apparatus of claim 18, further comprising:

means for replacing corrupted ~~extent data~~packets with replacement ~~extent data~~packets ~~in an~~ ~~instance~~ where said CRC operation identifies said ~~corrupted extent data~~packets.

20.   (currently amended) The apparatus of claim 18, further comprising:

means for masking corrupted ~~extent data~~packets in an instance where said CRC operation identifies corrupted ~~extent data~~packets.

21.   (new) The method of claim 1, wherein the unique content identifier identifies content that contains both audio and video.

22.   (new) The apparatus of claim 11, wherein the unique content identifier identifies content that contains both audio and video.